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Application of: Dennis T. Mangano

Serial No.: 09/426,792

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Examiner: P. Spivack

For: **METHODS FOR REDUCING  
MORTALITY AND MORBIDITY  
BY POSTOPERATIVE  
ADMINISTRATION OF A  
PHARMACOLOGIC  
CARDIOVASCULAR AGENT**

Attorney Docket No.: 9114-004-999

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant has carefully considered the Office Action mailed April 7, 2000, in connection with the above-captioned application. Reconsideration of the claims in light of the amendments and remarks that follow is respectfully requested. Accompanying this Amendment is an Information Disclosure Statement and a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period of response by three months, to and including **October 7, 2000**.

**AMENDMENTS**

**In the Specification**

At page 11, line 10, after "coronary artery disease." please insert the sentence -  
-Risk for coronary artery disease is suggested by previous or current vascular surgery or the presence of at least two cardiac risk factors.--

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